

THE KENTUCKY BOARD OF OPHTHALMIC DISPENSERS
MEETING MINUTES
May 16, 2018

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers was conducted May 16, 2018, at the Department of Professional Licensing, 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, Kentucky.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Granville Smith, Chairman
Melanie Abner, Secretary
Dr. Todd Purkiss

DPL STAFF

Megan Woodson, Interim Board Administrator
Isaac VanHoose, Commissioner

OTHERS

Carson Kerr, Office of Legal Services

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Jim Lockett
Robert Goforth

GUESTS

Curt Duff
Cindy Castle

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the March 21, 2018, meeting. Dr. Purkiss seconded the motion, and it carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Board reviewed the financial reports from the months of March and April 2018.

BOARD COUNSEL REPORT

No Report.

COMPLAINTS

2017-05 – Ongoing

Mr. Kerr will reach out to Mr. Brentlinger for a final update on the investigations.

OPHTHALMIC INSPECTOR REPORT

No report.

LICENSURE STATUS REPORT

Ms. Woodson reported there are currently 169 Apprentice Ophthalmic Dispensers, 559 active Ophthalmic Dispensers, and 106 Inactive Ophthalmic Dispensers.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Kerr presented information regarding HB 319, which goes into effect July 15, 2018. The Board discussed its possible effects to the Board's current licensing process.

The Board discussed the need for an investigator. Ms. Aber made a motion to issue an RFP for an investigator. Dr. Purkiss seconded the motion. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve all applications approved by Ms. Woodson since the last Board meeting. Dr. Purkiss seconded the motion and it carried.

The Board reviewed an application to sit for the practical exam and the request to bypass one year of apprenticeship based upon the applicant's prior experience. Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the application and to allow the applicant to sit for the exam early. Dr. Purkiss seconded the motion and it carried.

APPROVAL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION

There were no applications for continuing education.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve travel and per diem for members that attended today's meeting. Dr. Purkiss seconded that motion and it carried.

NEXT MEETING

The Board will meet again on Wednesday, July 18th, 2018, at the Department of Professional Licensing. The Complaints Committee will meet prior, at 9:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Abner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:35. Dr. Purkiss seconded the motion and it carried.